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		First Inventor Jay C. Engstrom	
		Title TREE CLIMBING APPARATUS	
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SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$ 375)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	23	-20 **	=	3	X	9	=	27
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1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
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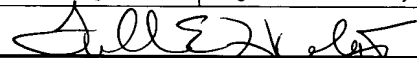
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3. Specification, claims and abstract (11 pgs.);
4. Four (4) sheets of formalized drawings;
5. Preliminary Amendment (7 pgs.);
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